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THINKING OUT LOUD

By H. M. L.

We do not believe that the people of this country are going to approve a measure which will force every young man to take a year out of his life for military training, alone, under the U. S. Army management and direction. In time of war we have no choice, young men must be trained and must fight. In time of peace we do have a choice and you can bet your bottom dollar we are not going to hand over our young men to the Army or Navy for a year, or any other period.

But we do think that most American citizens, now realizing how much the peace of the world in years to come depends on Uncle Sam, will approve a year out of the lives of every young man, and perhaps of every young woman, now that all wars are total wars provided they can do it through agencies already in being and which we have for more than a hundred years approved.

These agencies are the universities which normally train thousands of young men each year in military science, and the National Guard which trans other thousands through the land year in and year out. We hand over our boys to the Army and Navy in peace time because we must. But, while we do believe that every young man should have military drilling and be given a thorough training in peace time for the emergency of war, we prefer, in each state to do it ourselves.

In peace time the National Guard is a voluntary organization. To provide every boy with military training, and perhaps every girl in certain activities, we should be obliged, if universal training were adopted, to make service compulsory in the National Guard. However, it would be under the overall direction of the Army and Navy, but we would, in each state insist that the officers immediately in charge would be those that we the people have chosen for the job.

Under such a system, each town, each metropolis, would have its military establishment or school. Each village would have its companies, one or more. Each town would have its regiment, and each metropolis would have its army division, or divisions. Just as the youth of California is now compelled to go to school until sixteen years of age, so each boy, and probably, girl, would receive training needed in event of another war. It would be conscription, yes, but every night every boy and girl would be home with their folks. And the people themselves could and would keep an eagle eye on the kind of training the children were receiving, because it would be given right there at home.

In event any young man developed a talent for leadership, he would be sent on to a university, and be given the full four years of education at government expense, to graduate as a reserve officer in Army or Navy. That, almost, is what happens now. It is a system we have long been accustomed to. Young men entering the University of California, for instance, are all given military training. These wo do well in it take advanced courses in military science and graduate as reserve officers. They do not receive their expenses under the present system, but in order to encourage young men with leadership ability, we believe it would be the most economical means of maintaining a great body of reserve officers, who could be called to the colors the moment international trouble started.

Such a system would not interfere in any way with the military establishments at West Point and Annapolis. They would still remain the school for professional army and navy training, though in our opinion it is high time both army and navy established the counterparts of those famous colleges on the Pacific Coast. We would still need them for the men who enter the service of their country on a professional basis.

We admit frankly that this system of conscription is not likely to please the brass hats in Washington, where every thought and effort is bent on centralizing power in the federal government. But it is a system, faulty though it may be, in which the people themselves can continue to control in a large degree, the upbringing of their children, without having them taken from their homes and herded in various cantonments over the land and placed under the rigid discipline of military martinets.

Moreover there are a number of things that a great many young people need along with military training. They need lessons in courtesy, they need drill often after they are through with the public schools, in the three R's, they need vocational guidance, and often elementary training in the work they will do in the world. These things might easily be combined with military training during their year of peace time service to their country.

RETIRED PLACER MINER PASSES IN GRASS VALLEY

Funeral services were held yesterday morning in the Hooper and Weaver Mortuary in Grass Valley for Everett Darwin Wolbert who died Monday while visiting his daughter Mrs. Edith Dennis. In charge of the service was Rev. Jesse Rudking, pastor of the Methodist Church. Interment was in the Elm Ridge Cemetery.

The deceased was one of the first oil well drillers in California and in later years become interested in placer mining in this vicinity. He lived in Grass Valley several years ago but at the time of his death his home was in San Mateo. He was a native of Wisconsin, aged 78 years.

He leaves a wife, Mrs. Emma D. Wolbert and the following children: Leslie Wolbert of San Rafael, Mrs. Edith Dennis of Grass Valley, Mrs. Gladys Cunningham of San Bruno, C. D. and Merle Wolbert of San Francisco, Mrs. Davis Boldt of Palo Alto, Virgil Wolbert of San Bruni, Mrs. Zelma Stovall of Madera, Mrs. Nadine Morton of San Mateo and 11 grand children and 12 great grandchildren.

SMALL BOY'S AESOPHAGUS YIELDS QUARTER

Dr. W. B. Hummelt yesterday stated he had withdrawn a silver quarter from the aesophagus of Billy Frank, three and half years old, the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Frank of Rough and Ready. The parents declared that the child must have swallowed the quarter on July 4th.

Dr. Hummelt said the parents brought the child to him several days ago, suffering from cough and lack of appetite. A casual examination revealed nothing wrong, but believeing the child might have incipient tuberculosis a fluroscope picture of his chest was taken and there was plainly revealed the quarter. A long pliable forceps was trust down the child's throat and the coin removed. His appetite improved immediately.

BRIDE'S FATHER TIES NUPTIAL KNOT

Miss Helen Rudkin and Cpl. Frank L. Fausel were married Tuesday afternoon in the Grass Valley Methodist Church at 4 o'clock.

The bride's father, Rev. Jesse Rudkin pastor of the church, read the service. Mrs. Fausel attended Placer Junior College and for several years has been employed in federal and state positions.

The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Mary Fausel of Placerville, El Dorod County, where he graduated from high school, and later engaged in the grocery business with his brother, George. He entered the army in May, 1942, and served in the C. I. B. theatre with 151st Medical Battalion.

Miss Oveta Fausel, sister of the bridegroom was brides maid, and Lt. Arthur Moore of Placerville, was best man. Only immediate members of the family were present. A wedding supper was served at the parsonage and the couple left for a honeymoon at Lake Tahoe.

MISS GRACE EDDY SUCCUMBS

Miss Grace Eddy, born in this city 70 years ago, died early yesterday morning in a Stockton hospital. Funeral services will be held in the Holmes Funeral Mome Saturday at 4 p. m. Rev. David Ralston, pastor of the Methodist Church of which Miss Eddy was a life time member, will conduct the service. Interment will be in the Pine Grove Cemetery.

The deceased was a sister of the late supervisor, Richard Eddy, and one of the arliest members of Rebekah Neva Lodge of this city.

THOUSANDS OF WOMEN HOURS FOR RED CROSS

The diligent, capable and unselfish women of the Nevada City Chapter ARC production corps under their chairman Mrs. Louise Polglase completed and shipped during the months of May and June: Sewed and knitted articles 392; kit bags 644; miscellaneous articles 145. Total 1181. Home workers 101. Room workers 96. Total 197. Hours given 4277 or the equivalent of 534 -eight hour days.

This is but a two month notation of what has been a steady and loyal service of this patriotic group. The products have gone to hospitals, service men of all branches, refugees, and also to the needy of foreign countries. From various such sources have been received letters of sincere thanks and appreciation.

This is a letter received by Nevada City Chapter, American Red Cross, in appreciation of supplies sent to France. (Transslation.)

Institution: Notre Dame D'Esperance, Saint Nazaire.

I have received with much pleasure, the clothing, chemises, pants, shirts, dresses, etc. that the charitable ladies of America have sent to our organization.

I appreciate most the thoughts that prompted the sending of these things, that are practically impossible to get here.

It pleases us to merit your sympathy and to have it indicated in this way by your gracious generosity.

I address my thanks from the committee of the United French and more especially to the women of Nevada City Red Cross who contributed directly to our well being.

(Signed) M. LIED.

MILITARY TRAINING FOR YOUTH APPROVED

Public apyroval by a large cote for the continuation of Selective Service for peace time military training is indicated by a recent survey conducted by the American Institute of Public Opinion.

Announcing the results of a survey made last month George Gallup, director of the institute asserts:

"If public openion for a large post war army and navy continues to be as overwhelming after the war as it is now, the issue of whether we should have a peace time military draft may largely settle itself."

He cites the results of four surveys made by the institute since last September as indicating the trend of sentiment on the question:

After the war is over do you think every able bodied young man should be erquired to take military or naval training for one year?

Sept. 1944—Yes 63%. No. 23%. Undecided 14%.

Dec. 1944—Yes 70%. No 25%. Undecided 3%.

Feb. 1945—Yes 69%. No 22%. Undecided 9%.

May 1945—Yes 70%. No 34%. Undecided 6%.

These tests of opinion Director Gallup declares show that the average American favors a large post war army and navy as protection against possibility of unprovoked attack.

Lightning Fires Keep Ranger Busy

Ranger Hobart I. Snider of the Tahoe natonal forest station at Truckee, reports that four lightning fires started in the region of Mt. Pluto and Mt. Watson during a recent electrical storm were all extinguished with trifling damage.

During the storm fire details were sent to the Sierraville and Downieville districts, both in Sierra County, and several Tahoe forest officers and crews have lately been assigned to aid in stamping out lightning fires in the Klamath national forest.

TO PLANT BEAVER IN TAHOE FOREST DURING AUGUST

Arthur L. Hensley in charge of beaver planting for the California Fish and Game Commission with his assistant, William Pollard have just completed a surevy of sites for establishing more beaver colonies in Tahoe national forest.

Accompanying the two specialists on their trip was Harry Camp resource manager in the Tahoe forest headquarters here, and Robert I. Snider ranger for the Truckee district.

Hensley stated he was impressed with the favorable conditions for beaver on Sage Hen, Juniper, Alder and Martis Creeks. In August he proposes to transplant beaver from their present colonies in Plumas national forest to at least two of the locations approved. All the creeks mentioned are in the Truckee district. Hensley reports that wherever beaver are established, trout apparently are better able to propagate and increase naturally.

DOMESTIC WATER RATES GIVEN BOOST BY NID

The Nevada Irrigation District has established new and graduated rates for the domestic water users, and bills now going out will reflect more nearly the actual use of water than has been the case, according to a bulletin sent out with the bills.

Old rates were flat rates that took no account of the size of the house or the garden served. The new rates take these factors into account and while the charges for some classes of users are lower than formerly, the majority will pay more.

The new rates do not effect contracts, which have several years to run with the two municipalities. Nevad City and Grass Valleye.

NAVY TO DEPEND ON RESERVE OFFICERS

The United States Navy will depend upon reserve officers in peace as well as it does now during the war, said Artemus L. Gates, Under-Secretary of the Navy, at graduation exercises of the U. S. Naval Reserve Midshipmen's School, University of Notre Dame, in South Bend, Indiana recently.

He estimated that the peace time Navy will need, in addition to its regular line officers, and this year's and next year's graduates of the naval acodemy, 30,0000 other officers.

"These will come from the ranks of the reserves," he said.

Pointing out there are now approximately 350,000 officers in the navy, he said that less than four per cent, 11,350 are graduates of the naval academy. All the rest, more than 300,000 are reserves.

"In short, the navy which is fighting this war and winning it is a civilian navy," said the under-secretary.

Gold Flat Dump Bought by Selby's

Due to a need of a flux the Selby Smelting Works on San Francisco bay, are purchasing tailings from an old abandoned chlorination dump in Gold Flat on the lower Grass Valley road a half mile outside this city.

M. Jordan and J. Clennan are engaged in remining the old dump, which under the treatment given by Selby yields$ 11 in gold and 71 cents in silver. It is however for its value as a flux that the smelter is taking this ancient dump, which it is estimated will yield 1500 tons.

Mayor Ben Hall owns the land on which the dump reposes. The plant was known as the Maltman Works a half century ago and miners with small tonnages of gold ore took the output there for reduction.

"EVERY VETERAN WILL NOT NEED AID, BUT THOSE WHO DO, MUST GET IT"

By Lewis B. Hershey Director of Selective Service

Up to and through the first part of this year, the major task of Selective Service was to bring the nation's armed forces up to authorized strength—to provide the basic manpower our military leaders required for victory. That job has been well done. It has been accomplished with out disruption of vital war production or unnecessary interference with essential civilian activities.

It has been truly said that our local boards have shown the world that democracy can operate as efficiently in war as during peace. And I have the utmost confidence that they will continue to function with fairness and efficiency in the even more difficult task presented by increasing demobilization that must be synchronized with continuing demobilization.

Today, Selective Service has a threefold task: First, to supply the men needed by the armed forces to replace those lost in combat and those who are being released after long and difficult service; second, to select men for induction so as to cause a minimum of disturbance to industry, transportation, and agriculture; and third, to restore the serviceman discharged under honorable conditions to his former job or to aid him when necessary in finding new employment.

To discharge the first two of these responsibilitse we have not only smoothly working machinery but also the benefit of more than four years of experience in recruitment. For the third, we have the plan already in operation, the earnest desire to function smoothly and efficiently and the determination to gain betterment from experience.

Our responsibility to the veteran—placed upon us by the Selective Service Training and Service Act—is to see that the men we selected for military service who serve satisfactorily and return to civilian life, are reinstated therein to their own and the nation's best interests. It is the duty of seeing that the veteran is promptly replaced in his old job if he so desires. It is the obligation to assist him in finding new employment if he so desires.

Of course, every veteran will not need our assistance. The great majority of employers will welcome the serviceman back to his job. But it is our duty and our desire to aid the veteran in obtaining every benefit to which he is entitled under the Selective Training and Service Act and the GI Bill, particularly in the field of employment.

Selective Service is prepared for this task and can carry on the work without interrupting the orderly processes of induction. Each local board constitutes a Veterans Information Center. Each board has attached to it reemployment committeemen, government appeal agents, medical advisers, and other qualified persons available to aid the veteran. The entire local board personnel compensated and uncompensated, is fully acquainted with the plan and operation of the Veterans Assistance Program.

Each serviceman upon being discharged is instructed at the point of separation to report to his local board, within ten days after separation to receive a new classification card and registration certificate to replace those he surrendered upon his induction. At that time if he indicates that he desires assistance in getting his old job back or in obtaining new employment it is the local board's responsibility to aid him in every way possible.

The men we selected for military service are discharging their patriotic duty with valor and efficiency. But they also are looking ahead—in increasing numbers—to their return to civilian life, many with a feeling of uncertainty. It is our responsibility to help those men, if they feel that they need help. And they, in turn look primarily to the men who sent them into military service to guide them in their readjustments to civilian life.

We must give to those men who fought to preserve the democratic way of life for all of us the aid they will need to obtain their share in it. We must give to the utmost, for that is how they have earned it.

MANY INITIATIVES TO GO ON NEXT STATE BALLOT

By Clem Whitaker

With 14 measures already qualified for submission to the voters next year by reason of legislative action, and with the likelihood that petitions will be circulated for several initiative acts. California's 1946 ballot may approach pre war propotions both in length and controversial content.

A $50,000,000 veterans bond issued to aid service men in buying farms and homes, was given legislative approval and is slated to go to the people for ratification, in addition to 13 constitutional amendment proposed by the legislautre. The new Veterans Farm and Home Purchase Act bond issue would augment a $30,000,000 bond authorization for the same purpose voted in 1944.

Three headline initiative acts, which are expected to reach tre ballot by petition and which are bound to stir up bitter controversy are:

1—A CIO sponsored fealth insurance act, similar to the several state medicine proposals defeated in the legislature.

2—A new ham and eggs pension proposal.

3—A veterans right to work amendment guaranteeing service men an absolute right to employment without requirement of union membership.

Among the 13 proposed constitutional amendments, perhaps the two most important are ACA 10, providing for annual instead of biennial legislative sessions, and ACA 37, authorizing state loans to returning war veterans to start them in business or to obtain supplies, tools or machinery.

There are five school measures in the list of constitutional amendments, providing briefly as follows: SCA II, which would allocate all state school appropriations from the general fund, instead of two separate funds; SCA 16, setting up provisions for the qualifications and election of members of county boards of education; ACA 17, authorizing the legislature prescribe the qualifications and fix the salaries of county superintendents of schools, ACA 28 repeating an old, never used, constitutional provision permittng the levy of an annual educational poll tax and ACA 36, empowering the state board of education on nomination by the state superintendent of public instruction to appoint one deputy state superintendent and three associate superintendents all for four year terms.

Other proposed constitutional amendments include: SCA 13, changing the state railroad commission to a state public utilities commission; SCA 17, submitting to the people for ratification all legislative changes in the alien land act; ACA 4, revising the law of succession to the governorship, placing after the governor and lieutenant governor the last duly elected president pro tem of the senate and speaker of the assembly, ACA 35, permitting the legislature to increase the salary of the governor, and ACA 39, creating a three member state court of tax appeals.

OLD NARROW GAUGE STATION CHANGES HANDS

The Nevada County Narrow Gauge Railroad property on which is located the abandoned terminal station of the dismantled railroad, it was announced yesterday, has been sold to Mr. and Mrs .Edward W. LaRue of 218 Boulder Street.

The building will be used for freight and storage and an office for the trucking business which Mr. and Mrs. LaRue will conduct. They have purchased three large trucks with trailers, having recently returned from Yakima, Washington, where they took factory delivery of the equipment.

LaRrue has been engaged in hauling here since last November, chiefly in freighting barite from the Spanish Mine at Washington, Nevada County. Six men are now employed and they expect soon to increase their crew to 10.

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ANTIDOTE TO INFLATION

Wartime inflation already has bankrupt nations—notably China and Greece—and spread globally to increase living costs, according to an arresting report by the life insurance companies of America. The survey finds the English speaking nations have checked inflation better than others, through "necessary controls" but finds these are only emergency stopgaps and significantly concludes.

"Authorities point out that volume of production of peacetime goods—the only sure antidote for inflation—is still some time in the future in view of the war with Japan."

Yet we hear disquieting statements from heads of warnecessary bureaus that they intend after the war is over, only a very partial return of control over business to business men, control of farm production to farmers, and control of prices and access to raw materials to the law of supply and demand. Without such return of control to the people who work and produce "volume of production of peacetime goods" would be impossible.

Governmental control of national economy, over the long range, has never worked to the benefit of any people, It failed in ancient Rome, in her decadence. It failed in its most extended and rigid modern application in fascist Italy, where Mussolini dictated what should be produced, how much should be produced what should be charged for it, what wages and rent should be paid—but Mussolini could neither give Italians sufficient butter in peace nor sufficient guns in war. It failed through a decade to solve America's problem of depression unemployment.

The antidote must be aplied if America is to avoid postwar economic disster worse than any depression of the past. The people have the power, if bureaucracy is blind, to apply it through force of public opinion and the ballot box. "The government is us," said Theodore Roosevelt, "we are the government, you and I."—Contributed.

S. F. STILL S. R. O.

The old lady who lived in a shoe was like San Francisco, which has so many hotel guests on military and naval business that the city doesn't know what to do about her regular business visitors and neighbors.

First came the United Nations conference which preempted all hotel space for delegates, attaches, and press and radio representatives.

Scarcely had the beds been made and the rooms tidied up, when the entire Army and Navy, with affilliated agencies, descended on San Francisco. All naval and military facilities had to be enormously expanded.

San Francisco, accordingly, has done the most intelligent thing possible under the circumstances. She has closed her local hotel registers to all persons except those coming to San Francisco on war business.

On the heels of San Francisco's rejection of conventions for the duration last year, this last move is one which we know the city would not take unless it was absolutely necessary to the posecution of the war. When the war is over, the city will still be there on the hills by the bay, and we shall then return to her as guests with even more pleasure for having been denied her hospitality during the war years.—Contributed.

GIANT S. F. AIRPORT NEARS

With a unanimous vote by the San Francisco Board of Supervisors ordering drafting of a $20,000,000 bond issue proposition for modernizing the municipal airport at Mills Field, this great postwar project, cital to all northern California, has taken a big step forward.

The proposition to be included in the November ballot, has already been endorsed by many civic and industrial bodies, including the bay area aviation committee, the San Francisco and Berkeley chambers of commerce, the United Air Lines, and Pan American World Airways.

If San Francisco voters concur, the project will mean a big boost to post war prosperity not only in San Francisco but in all central an northern California. The money brought in by increased air travel an foreign trade will benefit all this section of the state. At the same time, the big airport will be a center from which feeder airlines will radiate all over the state.—Contributed.

ICKES CLEARING UP HIS DESK MAYBE HE GOES

Washington Notes—By Congressman Clair Engle

WASHINGTON, July 13 — OPA Tries to Roll Back Prices of Fruit—The biggest headache now facing a good portion of the California delegation is the current effort of the OPA to roll back the prices of prunes, pears and other California specialty crops. The OPA contends that it made some mistakes last year and that as a result the Californna farmers made more money than they should have. The farmers generally speaking admit that they did all right last year but contend that the prices should stay the same as last year at least. On prunes they want the price increased from ten cents to eleven. The farm representatives claim that their costs have increased since last year, that labor will be higher and more inefficient and harder to get. Most people don't realize it but we have a lot of fruit in the second district. Nevada, Placer, El Dorado and Tehama counties are particularly heavy producers.

Sunday Shipping Holiday — The ODT and the Interstate Commerce Commission have gotten together and issued an order putting an embargo on loading or billing out any freight cars on Sunday. This is not just a blue sky rule. They are trying to give the railroads one day a week to get their breath and releave the accumulating congestion. The condition on the western railroads is almost pathetic. And as redeployment and the shift of the war to the Pacific accelerates it is going to get worse before it gets better. But the order is raising hob with the California fruit industry. We have been trying to convince officials in charge that when fruit is ripe it has to go and can't wait for Sunday or anything else. Instead of making a blanket embargo—order on Sunday we want them to exempt fresh fruit and vegetables and if necessary extend the embargo another day a week to non-perishables. So far our efforts have been uuavailing.

Ickes Clearing Out His Desk—Recent cabinet changes have made all the remaining cabinet members wonder how soon it will be before their friends are giving them a going away party. It is rumored that Harold Ickes, the secretary of interior, has been clearing out his desk. It is further rumored that a change will be made in the department of interior when the administration finds the man they are looking for to take over. Ickes is the most thoroughly hated cabinet member of them all—especially here on the Hill. He also has many strong friends and a good deal of grudging admiration even from his critics. However it seems to be felt in higher circles that a good job could be done in the department of interior without stirring up so much antagonism. We are all in hopes that when a new man is picked that he will be a western man. If there is any department in the government which should be administered by a western man, it is the department of the interior. Most of the activities of that department—park service, reclamation, bureau of mines, grazing service—are in the west, and the secretary should be a man who understands the problems of the west.

Bureau of Mines in Turmoil—One of the matters waiting the development of the status of the secretary of the interior is the rumors now going on in the bureau of mines. That agency is just about to come apart at the seams. There has been constant antagonism between Reginald S. Dean the head of the field division and R. R. Sayers the director. Things had been made so hot for Dean that he had decided to get out, but it is reported that he has changed his mind and intends to stay and fight it out. He is not going to be easy to handle. He comes from Missouri and has powerful friends on Capitol Hill. Dean is a plain spoken, direct actionist and is one of the few sympathizers and friends western mining interests have in Washington.

Cancelling European Trip—Coming Home—Some months ago ten chairmen of house committees of members designated by them formulated a plan to make a trip early this summer to Europe. It was felt that so much of our legislation involves foreign countries that the committees of the house should have at least one member who had seen and could report personally on many of the matters in which we are concerned. I was chosen to make the trip as the chairman of the committee on war claims, and up to a few weeks past had my plans made on that basis. However the delay in recessing congress has thrown the trip so late that I cannot possibly go to Europe for six weeks and get back in time to take care of many of the important matters pending in the district. I have therefore cancelled the trip to Europe and expect to return to California the first of August. A series of meetings will be arranged covering the entire district and I expect also as a member of the committee on world war veterans legislation to conduct an investigation of the veterans administration hospitals in California.

STEELHEAD FINGERLINGS ARE RESCUED

SAN FRANCIISCO, July 19—During the month of June State Fish and Game Warden Ted Holloday of San Jose and Santa Clara County Game Warden Sprig Frederickson, assisted at times by local sportsmen rescued 60,950 steelhead fingerlings from the drying stream beds of Uvas and Llagas creeks and distributed them among suitable waters in Santa Clara and San Mateo counties.

Three thousand and fifty of the rescued fish were planted in Stevens Creek and Stevens Creek reservoir, after thy had been "branded" for future recognition by Leo Shapovalov, district fisheries biologist of the State Division of Fish and Game. The 2000 planted in the reservoir were marked by the removal of the adipose and left ventral fins, while the 1050 stocked in the stream above the reservoir were marked by the removal of both ventral fins. Beginning with the 1946 season when the marked trout will reach catchable size, data obtained through creel census and voluntary reports by anglers are expected to yield valuable information on growth and distribution and thus relative effectiveness of stocking in different types of habitat. The growth and distribution of the rescued steelhead will also be compared with that of rainbow of the same size stocked from the Brookdale Hatchery.

DELTA GAS FIELD LEADS IN VALUE

SAN FRANCISCO, July 19—Major importance of the northern and central California natural gas field is underlined in a report just issued by the State Division of Mines office.

The three principal gas producing counties of the area—Sacramento, Solano and San Joaquin, accounted for 154,507,731,000 cubic feet in 1844 with a value of $12,161,698. In value of production the Delta field led all fields of the state and stood second in volume of production.

The three San Joaquin valley producing counties of Fresno, Kern and Kings accounted for the greatest field production, 168,446,083,000 cubic feet, but stood second in value with $9,889,497.

The Los Angeles Ventura Orange Santa Barbara field trailed in third place in both volume and value, with 128,591,998,000 cubic feet valued at $8,597,143.

Natural gas production in all other counties of the state totalled 16,197,446,000 cubic feet valued at $1,138,606.

RECEPTION TO PASTOR

Members of the Methodist Church in Grass Valley and friends will give their new pastor, Rev. Jesse Rudkin and Mrs. Rudkin, a reception tomorrow evening at 7 o'clock, when a potluck supper will be served.

Family groups have been asked to bring a cold picnic supper or hot dishes for the meal.

Rev. and Mrs. Rudkin were assigned to the Grass Valley pastorate from Placerville.

Donald F. Odgers of the U. S. Coast Guards and his wife who have been visiting with friends and relatives in the city for the past couple of weeks left Wednesday for Mariposa to spend the next few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Odgers.

Fat-Salvage Bee To Aid in Licking National Fat Shortage

It's been ages since we had an old-fashioned "bee" in these parts, but just as we've always pitched in to help a neighbor, so must we pitch in for our country.

To help make hundreds of battlefield and home-front essentials, more used fats are needed than are on hand. City folks are trying to make up the deficit of over 1,200,000,000 pounds. But their fats aren't enough.

Women in small cities, towns and rural districts must also save every drop of fat. Not just big amounts. But scraps off plates, meat trimmings. Melt them down once a week. Your butcher will give you up to 4¢ and 2 red points a pound. If you have any difficulty, call Home Demonstration or County Agent.

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GARDEN CLUB TO MEET

The Garden Club of Nevada City will meet tomorrow afternoon at the home of Mrs. O. F. Betcher in Willow Valley. An interesting program has been arranged and all those who love kardens are invited to attend.

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County Realty Taxes Average $25.70 per $1000

Local property tax levies in Nevada County averaged $25.70 for each $1000 of assessed valuation for 1945 the last completed fiscal year California taxpayers association said today, making public its analysis of the property tax bill in California counties.

For 1944 local property tax levies in the county averaged $20. per $100 of valuation; for 1943 they averaged $27 per $1000. County, city, school and special district levies are included.

The county is one of nineteen in California in which property taxes levied averaged $30 per $1000 of assessed value in 1945. Four California counties had levies which ranged $20 per $1000 of value; nineteen levied $30 per $100; twenty five were in the $40 per $100 range; nine levied $50; in only one was the levy more than $50 per $100 valuation.

Mrs. M. P. Fisher and daughter Dorothea of Goodyears Bar were Nevada City visitors on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Austin, Alleghany residents spent Wednesday in Nevada City.

Organisms have been discovered in the tropics which are able to attask glass.

END REACHED IN HETCHY DISPUTE

SAN FRANCISCO, July 19—With the granting of a permanent injunction by Federal Judge M. J. Roche, San Francisco's seven year effort to find a new outlet for its Hetch Hetchy power has come to an end.

The 1925 agency contract between the city and the PGE, outlawed in 1938 by the federal government as in violation of the Raker Act, is now permanently disposed of. Judge Roche denied a motion by assistant city attorney Dion Holm to grant a 14th suspension to permit construction of a stepdown plant by the Modesto Turlock Irrigation district and a 23 mile transmission line.

San Francisco now has five contractural outlets for Hetch Hetchy power, committing the city to twice the 76,000 killowat capacity of the Hetch Hetchy plant, and therefore requiring purchase of power from the PGE during periods of peak demand.

Sixty per cent of Hetch Hetchy power goes for municipal enterprises including street lighting, street railway and the lighting of public buildings. The other contracts are with the Modesto Turlock Irrigation district the Permanente Cement Plant, the Permanente Magnesium Metals Co., and the Aluminum Company of America plant at Riverbank.

Dump and surplus power may still be sold to the PGE during off peak periods.

PHEASANTS ARE SENT TO GUAM

SAN FRANCISCO, July 19—A complete report has been made to E. J. Ott, executive secretary of the California State Division of Fish and Game on the success of the shipments by air of ten weeks old pheasants to Admiral Chester W. Nimitz for planting on the island of Guam.

Due to a shortage of crates only sixty of the original intended shipment of one hundred pheasants was made. Of these sixty birds, fifty five reached their destination in excellent condition. Lt. Com. John N. Ball writes of the trip as follows: "No feeding was done enroute but the birds were watered in the Hawaiian Islands and again upon arrival at Guam. The liberations were made four to five hours after arrival. They were split into two groups of 24 and 31 birds respectively and turned loose ten miles apart in two different and distinct types of terrain.

"Admrial Nimitz was delighted to get the pheasants and personally supervised the liberation of one group. The Island Commander Marine Major General Larson was equally well pueased with the birds and personally supervised the liberation of the other group.

"The birds were in the crates a total of fifty seven hours of which thirty one hours was airborne. Flight altitudes reached 8600 feet, and out side air temperature enroute reached a minimum of 53 degrees F. Total distance travelled exceeded 6200 statute miles."

To our knowledge, this is the first time pheasants have travelled such a distance by air and been planted under such conditions, according to Secretary Ott. It may be that we have started something new in game bird distribution.

GASOLINE TAX GAINS IN MAY

SACRAMENTO, July 19—For the fifth consecutive month this year California gasoline tax assessments are more than they were for the corresponding period in 1944. This was revealed here today when the State Board of Equalization, announced that taxes for May based on distribution of 152,627,542 gallons amounted to $4,578,826 in contrast to taxes of $4,154,932 based on distribution of 138,467,747 gallons in May.

Although this continuation of the upward trend registered from January through May represents an average gain of 8.3 per cent over the corresponding months of 1944 it is still approximately ten million dollars under 1941 the last year before gasoline rationing became effective. Commenting on the trend thus disclosed the board reported:

For a period of five months California gasoline taxes have been steadily more than they were during the same months of 1944. While this is an encouraging revenue development, we think that the trend is due entirely to the increased tempo of the war and demands of the armed forces in the Pacific.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 18th day of July, 1945.

THOMAS R. BOWLES.

State of California,
County of Nevada, ss.

On this 18th day of July, 1945, before me, Frank G. Finnegan, a Notary Public in and for the County of Nevada, State of California, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared THOMAS R. BOWLES, known to me to be the person described in, and whose name is subscribed to the within and foregoing instrument, and he duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at my office in said County of Nevada, the day and year in this certificate first above written.

FRANK G. FINNEGAN,
Notary Public in and for the County of Nevada, State of California.
(Seal)

My commission expires April 30, 1946.

July 19, 26, Aug. 2. 9.

CALIFORNIA REDWOOD STAGING COMEBACK

SAN FRANCISCO, July 19—During the past year production of California redwood lumber, shakes, shingles and lath totaled 483,487,000 board feet, the California Redwood association announced today.

This is 25,361,000 feet below the record production 463,848,000 feet in 1941 but is 89,078,000 feet above the 1939 total.

At the same time figures for other species white woods, for the state showed a steady increase in the past six years, the 1944 total being 80,635,000 feet, which is 5,389,000 feet over the 1943 peak.

WHAT DOES THAT COUNTY'S NAME MEAN?

Colusa—From the Colusi or Coluse Indians, the Indian word koru means scratcher.

Contra Costa—From the Spanish for opposite coast, ie across the bay from San Francisco.

Del Norte—From the Spanish for of or in the north, this county being in the extreme northwestern part of the state.

El Dorado—From the Spanish for golden, in alusion to the gold discovery of 1848. The name originally from a romance by Francisco Orellana, a companion of Pizarro about a mythical land ostensibly located in South America.

Fresno—From the Spanish for moutain ash tree, these trees being plentiful in the neighborhood.

SMALLER WAR PLANTS READIED FOR POSTWAR

SAN FRANCISCO, July 19—During the past three years, small war plants in Northern California, Nevada and Idaho have increased from 300 with $1,570,000 in government contracts, to 3000 with $159,709,000 in contracts, region 10 of the smaller war plants corporation announced today.

"Best of all," said J. D. Stanard, deputy regional director, "an experienced organization has been built up to wage the battles of small business in the critical reconversion period so that we may have a sound and prosperous industrial economy of individually owned enterprises for the peace time prosperity of the region."

Tiny Planes Take Wounded from Front

OKINAWA (Delayed) — Marines captured the last airfield on Okinawa and immediately put it to use for the evacuation of casualties by plane, according to Sgt. Joseph P. Donahue, Marine Corps combat correspondent.

Tiny, marine manned planes landed a few hundred yards behind the lines to carry wounded men of the First Marine Division to rear aid stations.

The trip was an unanticipated find for marines of the Seventh Regiment pushing toward the southern extremities of Okinawa. It had not been shown on maps. Its hard, coral surface parallels a seawall and a rice paddie, near the city of Itoman.

The first of the tiny planes narrowly missed a parked ambulance as it came in for a landing. Despite the shell and bomb craters on the edges of the narrow strip just large enough for the Stinsons all landings and take offs were completed without mishap.

Only the most seriously wounded were evacuated by plane. Others were carried from the beach to the warships in amphabian tractors or carried over the long, land route in ambulances.

The tiny Itoman strip was the sixth airfield captured since D-day.

It is perhaps the tiniest of the six but to the wounded men who are flown from it. Itoman is the most important field on Okinawa.

County Bonds Sales Over Top by $100,000

James C. Tyrrell county coordinator for the War Finance Committee has announced that Nevada County had oversubscribed the Seventh War Loan quota by $100,000. The quota for the county in round figures was $750,000.

COUNTY'S CASH BALANCE

Miss Elma Hecker county treasurer, yesterday reported that the county starts the new fiscal year with a cash balance of $473,984 in the treasurq, as compared with $413,554 last year.

CHARGED WITH FAILURE TO SUPPORT

William Wilmoth, truck driver for a lumber company, living on Shaw's Hill, is under arrest, on a warrant charging failure to provide for his wife and five children in San Francisco.

Mt. Whitney 14,495 feet, in Sequoia National Park is the highest point in the continental United States.

Carriers Carry Ninety Days Rations

Aboard an Aircraft Carrier in the Pacific (Delayed)—Stateside rationing to the contrary there's enough food aboard this ship to feed each Marine pilot and ground crewman and every navy officer and enlisted man a full ration three times a day for 90 days.

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In addition to 200 loaves of white, raisin or wheat bread, our bakery turns out 120 pies or cakes every 24 hours.

At every port the commissary officer replenishes our supply of beef, liver, pork, chicken, frankfurters, fish, ham, veal, salami, liverwurst and bologna.

There's even ice cream three times a week.

The one missing item is fresh milk, but 80 gallons of the powdered variety are consumed daily, reports Sgt. Berale Milligan, Marine Corps combat correspondent.

Francisco Lana, a Jesuit priest and mathematician designed a "flying boat" and published its description in 1670.

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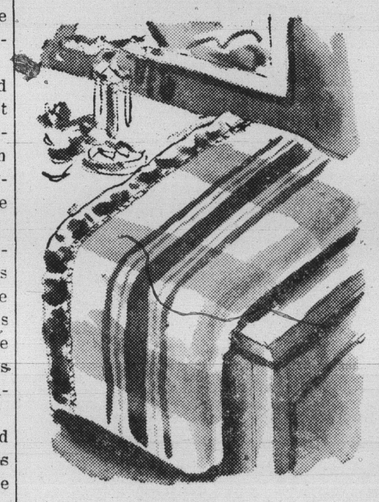

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Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. A Wednesday evening testimonial meeting is held on the first Wednesday of each month at 8 o'clock. Our reading room at 310 Broad Street is open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, holidays excepted from 2 to 4 p m. The public is cordially invited to attend our services and visit the reading room.

The Christian Science Lesson-Sermon subject for July 22 is "Life" Golden text, Luke 20:37:38: "Now that the dead are raised even Moses shewed at the bush, when he calleth the Lord the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. For he is not a God of the dead, but of the living: for all live unto him."

One of the Bible verses in the sermon is: "Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not high minded nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy" I Tim. 6:17. A correlative citation from "Science and Health with key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy reads: "The way is straight and narrow, which leads to the understanding and that God is the only life. It is a warfare with the flesh, in which we must conquer sin, sickness and death, either here or hereafter —certainly before we can reach the goal of spirit, or life in God" p. 324.

CHARGED WITH BATTERY

John Grant, 75, and a patient at the Nevada County Hospital has appeared twice before Justice of the Peace George Gildersleeve, and on both occasions has refused to plead to charges of battery upon a fellow inmate.

It is alleged he struck one man with his cane and threatened another, in the heat of an argument. Grant is partially crippled and District Attorney H. Ward Sheldon has not yet determined upon a procedure to follow. The complaint was made by Alvin Walther, superintendent of the hospital.

FARM NEWS

Dairy Herd Improvement Association—Dairymen of both Placer and Nevada Counties will meet at the invitation of the Agricultural Extension Service at Gold Hill Grange Hall at 1:30 in the afternoon of Wednesday, July 25 to form a dairy herd improvement association, some times called cow testing association. Some years ago dairymen considered this step, but it appeared then that the cow population was not great enough to keeu a tester busy. Now however an increase in the number of cows as well as greater farmer interest, indicate that an association can be formed.

A dairy herd improvement association is an organization of dairy farmers who cooperatively employ a man, usually called the tester, to determine the quantity of milk and butterfat produced by each cow in each herd, the cost of the feed used in its production and the income return per cow; and also to keep a record of the information obtained.

The records of production, feed costs, and income enable the herd owner to cull out the unprofitable cows to feed the rest according to their production requirements, and to select individual animals in the herd that are the most suitable for breeding up the inherent producing ability of the herd.

Drive on Cattle Grubs—In the second year of the cattle grub control program in California, 27 counties reported over 123,000 cattle treated as shown in a recent report by Dr. Kenneth G. McKay, specialist in veterinary science of the Agricultural Extension Service.

Effort was centered on cattle grub control last year because of the economic loss caused by these warbles, especially in leather a critical war material. McKay says damage to the hides and carcasses is $3.50 minimum per animal per year. The cost or treating each animal is only 15 cents for materials.

More Pigs to Market— Farmers will tage more pigs to market this fall, over 35 million o them and that's a 13 per cent increase over the 1944 crop. W. O. Hill, emergency food production assistant says this will be five per cent less than the goal of the WFA of 37 million head.

The 1945 spring pig crop was nearly 52 million pigs, four million less than a year earlier and six million below the goal for this spring. The combined spring and fall crop is estimated by department of agriculture economists to reach a little more than the total for last year.

FROM WAR TO FARMS—Various war materials may be converted for farm use, and experiments are now being made to discover possible uses. For example preheating apparatus used to heat plane engines in sub zero temperatures is being tested for possible adaption to force air into wet barn stored hay for curing. Airplanes themselves might be used extensively for field dusting. There are also possibilities of farm use of walkie talkie communication sets.

Flame throwers have been used to weed onions on a 200 acre Nevada farm. The area was burned off when the onions were an inch above the ground. The weeds were killed but the onions survived. A second weeding was required in a month. This experiment cost $1000 as compared with $15,000 of ordinary labor.

Canadian Meat Exports—All exportable surplus Canadian meats are committed for shipment to the United Kingdom and liberated areas. The United Kingdom will receive a minimum 500,000,000 pounds annually and shipments to liberated areas may reach 110,000,000 pounds of canned meat. Most Canadian shipment are free contributions to the British Empire or UNRRA. In addition, Canada will continue the responsibility it assumed in providing meat for Newfoundland and British West Indies. Altogether, Canadian meat export should be 30 to 35 per cent of total 1045 production.

Canada has shipped more meat to the United Kingdom than the United States and none of our meat will be so allocated during the quarter beginning July 1. Canada has a system of government meat requisitioning at inspected packing plants similar to our set aside procedure. Canada is not permitted to export meat to this country except under special cinse although some Canadian meat goes to our military forces.

Spot Farm News—The inter-American highway to be completed in 1945 will run through the Urba region of Colombia where land is being developed for rubber production, now that transportation will be available. This is the largest rubber planting project now under way in tropical America. To Americans who have lived in India, Iraq or Iran our bland white milled rice is tasteless. They are accustomed to the scented rice preferred abroad. USDA scientists have crossed an imported rice variety called Delitus with Rexoro, a hardy U. S. variety and the result is Delrex a high quality flavorful and fragrant rice. The Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports there were 25,190,000 persons living on U. S. farms January 1. This is less than at any time in the past 35

May 15 farm prices were higher than any time in the last quarter century. Most of the increases were for truck crops, poultry and eggs, fruit. USDA chemists have developed during wartime a method of flame proofing cotton textiles which leaves the material soft and pliable and able to withstand many washings. This processing is particularly desirable for rayon or cotton maerials with snapped surfaces such as the children's cowboy suits, sweater, night clothing, blankets and draperies. Untreated materials often are fire hazards.

Cafe Orchestrian Is On Its Way Again

"Felix" a mechanical orchestrian that came from Germany after World War I. to play in the cafe of Ernest Schreiber here, has been sold to R. M. Stagg who collects museum pieces.

The orchestrian was shipped out of Germany through the Panama Canal to San Francisco, and there transferred to rails, arriving in Nevada City on the Nevada County Narrow Gauge Railroad, now defunct.

Stagg said that the massive instrument should not be confused with a player piano or with other mechanical musical instruments. Owing to its complicated mechanism, it is difficult to find a mechanisian competent to keep it in order.

The machine which formerly played for nickles, according to the new owners is presently to play only for dollars, and, in Reno.

Learns Brother Has Died in Germany

Through her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Lane of Yuba City, Mrs. Walter Carlson of this city, learned yesterday of the death of her brother Lieut. Willard V. Lane, in Germany. He was killed when his jeep ran off a curve in the road.

Lieut. Lane was a graduate of the Yuba City high school and Chico State College. Before going overseas last October he had been in training for two years. Prior to entering the army he taught school.

He served in the 1st Army and has a brother, Robert J. Lane in the 3rd Army. His body was buried in an American cemetery at Margratan, Holland.

GEORGE SHEPHERD PASSES

Grass Valley Lodge, No. 12, IOOF has received word of the death of what is believed to be its oldest member, George H. Shepherd 97, who died in at the Odd Fellows Hall in Saratoga, Santa Clara County June 13th.

He had been a resident of the Odd Fellows Hall for a good many years, but until his last illness had retained the mapor use of his faculties and corresponded with local members of his lodge in an intimate and interesting manner. Funeral services took place in Oakland.

Demand for Grass Valley Houses Growing

Mrs. Jeanne Hackett secretary of the Grass Valley Chamber of Commerce, and in charge of rental listings for the chamber bureau, states there is a far greater demand for apartments, flats and houses, than listed with her.

While families of army and navy personel are numerous among the applicants, there is also a large number of home seekers who desire to settle permanently in this city, Mrs. Hackett reported. Many of the latter group are seeking work or business openings.

Sister Hears of Brother's Death on Saipan

Mrs. Pat Murphy of Dean Street has received a message telling of the death of her brother, Cpl. Charles Keeney, on Saipan.

The young soldier's home was in New York where his wife resides. His parents Mr. and Mrs. Armour D. Kenney, live in Detroit, Michigan. No details concerning the circumstances of his death were received.

LESTER HUBBARD

SHOEMAKER, Calif., July 19—Yester Merle Hubbard, specialist, athletics, second class, USNR, 38, husband of Mrs. Ann Hubbard, of 645 East Broad Street, Nevada City, has arrived at the world's largest naval receiving station, a unit of the U. S. naval training and distribution center, for reclassification and further assignment.

Hubbard, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Hubbard, live at Winslow, Arizona,, has been in the navy for two years and ten months and formerly served at Treasure Island, California; Bainbridge, Maryland and Terminal Island, California.

FRESH FOOD FOR NAVY ABOARD GROCERY SHIP

SAN FRANCISCO, July 19—When the USS Octans former United Fruit Company liner, Ulma, now a navy "reefer", entered a harbor in the Southwest Pacific or in the Philippines, small boats from other ships flocked around her like ducklings around a mother duck.

That's just how welcome this fleet floating grocery was.

Back in the United States 23 months after her departure, the Octans put in at the Hurley Machine Works, Oakland, for a well deserved and much needed overhaul. She has now returned to sea.

To her credit is the destruction of one of the Rising Sun's highly touted suicide boys who was shot down by the Octans last January while she was enroute from Leyte for more fresh food. The Japs never got any closer than a thousand yards from the ship before the Octans' guns got his range and sent him plunging into the sea in flames.

The Octans, known throughout the Southwest Pacific as the "Mighty O" is one of the best known provision ships which supplied the Seventh Fleet of Admiral Thomas C. Kinkaid, USN. Her job was to carry the fresh meats, fruits, and vegetables to the ships of the fleet. She loaded in Brisbane and Sydney with the choicest of Australian foods, and then she took her precious cargo to the Solomons, to New Guina the Admiralties and then proceeded to the Philippines.

She voyaged some 100,000 miles equivalent to four trips around the world in her business of peddling navy groceries.

Quite a war record for an old lady.

Built in Belfast, Ireland, in 1919 as a refrigeration ship and passenger line for United Fruit the "Mighty O" still retains most of her old time fittings, tile baths and built in bathtubs in each stateroom, a wardroom with a grand piano, and passenger promenade decks. All that is missing is the sea going tourist to complete the picture of the old days.

Aside from her appearance of former grandeur, the Octans is one of the hardest working and most seriously inclined of the ships of the fleet. Her officers and crew realizing their mission was one of mercy as well as of supplying food, a weappon of war worked round the clock night and day while provisioning the fleet.

Usually the word got around a harbor that the Octans was standing in long before she came to anchor. From the bridge her officers could see small craft putting out from the other ships in her direction. Soon she would be followed and surrounded by the small boats, each with ship's supply officer aboard, carrying order sheets, and each in the market for food.

"Do you mean we can have fresh eggs, real potatoes, oranges, and apples,, and meat?" these supply officers would ask Lieutenant (jg) Walter R. Denz, 450 West Rudisil Street, Fort Wayne, Indiana, the Octan hatches opened the goods hoisted onto their craft, they realized that what seemed too good to be true was.

The Octans was the second naval supply ship to put into Leyte harbor after the invasion. The ships had been 65 days without fresh food. Even a fresh potato looked good to those men. Her name was praised to the skies and the Octans could have disposed of her cargo many times over.

Idaho Man Buys Share in Calida

DOWNIEVILLE, July 19—J. R. Simplot of Caldwell, Idaho, has become one of the partners in the Calida Lumber Company of Brandy City, Sierra County, it was disclosed here today.

Simplot is reported to be the world's "potato king", because he is said to grow more potatoes than any other single grower. Simplot recently piloted his own plane to a landing in Reno, Nevada. From there he made the rest of the trip by automobile.

It is understood he has purchased the interests of A. F. Baumhoff, one of the original owners of Calida, and that Baumhoff will resume gold dredging interests in Centerville, Idaho.

The Calida sawmill is now averaging a daily cut of 90,000 board feet.

Chinatown covers ten blocks in the heart of downtown San Francisco.

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Please be more careful with your irrigation water.

Do not let it run for hours at a time, or all day and night. There are cases where consumers let the water run all day and night. This takes it away from people on the high hills. Give them a chance to have some water, too.

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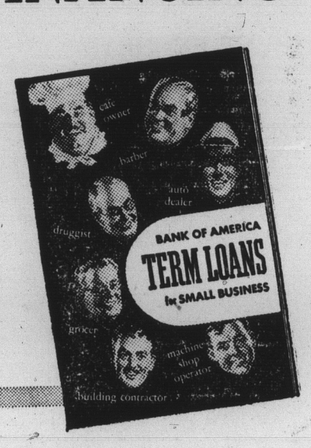

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